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SUBJ: FOREIGNERS IN SOUTH VIET-NAM: DEPARTURE PRIORITY

1. A CANADIAN PRIEST WHO DEPARTED SAIGON SEPTEMBER 17 FOR BANGKOK TOLD THE CANADIAN EMBASSY HERE THAT THERE IS A DEFINITE POLICY IN SAIGON THAT FOREIGNERS RESIDING OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL CITY ARE TO RECEIVE THE PRORITY FOR ALL EVACUATION FLIGHTS OVER THOSE IN SAIGON. HE CITED HIS OWN CASE (HE HAD BEEN LIVING IN DANANG) AND THAT OF A FELLOW PRIEST IN ANOTHER PART OF THE COUNTRY. BOTH HAD BEEN GIVEN ALMOST NO NOTICE TO PACK THEIR BAGS; THEY TRAVELLED WITH NORTH VIETNAMESE ESCORT TO SAIGON BY ROAD AND, IN ONE DAY, HAD COMPLETED THE IMMIGRATION FORMALITIES AND WERE ON A FRENCH EVACUATION FLIGHT.

2. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE HEARD THAT SUCH A POLICY IS IN EFFECT. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, THE PRIESTS DID NOT KNOW OR OFFER AN EXPLANATION FOR IT TO THEIR EMBASSY.

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